JOSHUA

A STORY OF EGYPTIAN-ISRAELITISH LIFE.

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resting on the ridge with his father and the young fighting men, and drinking wine, and that Hur had pledged himself to withdraw if Moses should appoint Joshua to be captain of the host, her

and with stern severity she replied; "You are my lord, and it ill-beseems to resist your will, even when you so far forget

knit brows darkened below her lofty brow.

contradiction. That Joshua was the most fit to command the fighting men was beyond a doubt, and he replied, panting somewhat, for he, too, found the as-cent hard: "Your high esteem honors and pleases me; but although Moses and the elders have promoted me, you must re-

sear it in mind and shall abide by it."

She looked axide and and no more till ever had resched the top.

The victorious youths hailed them from he summit with loud acclamations. The joy f meeting, the provisions they had won rom the foe, and the good drink which was a faringly measured out to revive those who much needed it, raised the fallen courage of meeting and the exhausted wanderers, and the thirsty multitude shortened their rest on the ridge to reach Dophks all the sconer. They multitude shortened their rest on the ridge to reach Dophks all the sconer. They much you propose to sacrifice to reach Dophks all the sconer. They had a hidden spring of whose existence he had heard from Joshua that they would find there no make they arrived in the wall you to the foe.

Their way now lay down hill. Hasted as the watchword when thirsty souls know that wells are within reach; and soon after sunset they arrived in the valley of sarquoise mines, where they encamped at the foot of the hill on which the now rained strongbold and storehouses of Dophks had strongbold and storehouses of Dophks had strongbold and storehouses of Dophks had stronged to Hathor, was very soon disconting the fairnest wonth of the saved out from the foe, the seal and saved out from the foe, the seal are stated to make their density. The with a decap rain with a their guest as though she desired to make danced to make their mint to the low in the thusband who loved her to cause of the couse of the couse of the winds who devites himself to the cause of the cause of the couse of the was a welcome substillation of a tender emotion; still, she must have been and to well as the walley of sarquoise mines, where they encamped at the foot of the hill on which the now rained to her thought of the cause of the cause of the cause of the couse of the co

had sunk almost to despair, now swelled again with the love of life, with hope and thankful trust. The fine acacia trees indeed were felled to open a way to the spring

drons change.

Joshua and Miriam had met on the ridge,

asked her whether she had forgotten that it was she herself who, as the messenger of the Most High, had bidden him henceforth to call himself Joshus. To this she replied—and her features assumed a sharper gravity of expression—that her memory was good, but she would fain forget the time he referred to. He himself had rejected the name bestowed on him by the Lord, inasmuch as he had preferred to seek the favor of the Egyptian King rather than the belp promised him by God. She, faithful to her old habits, should continue to call him Hosea.

resist your will, even when you so far forget what is due to your wife as to give way to the man who once dared to lift his eyes to her."

Bur eagerly broke in:

"But henceforth you are a stranger to him; and even if I should give you a bill of divorce he would no longer woo you."

"Indeed!" said she with a forced smile.

"And it is to him that you owe this announcement?"

"He has devoted himself body and soul to the welfare of the people and renounces the love of woman," replied Hur.

But she exclaimed: "Benunciation is easy when desire could bring nothing in its train but rejection and disgrace. It is not he, who in our day of greatest need sought help of the Egyptians—not he but you who ought to be our captain over the fighting men of Israel—you alone who led the Hebrews to their first victory at the storehouse of Succeth, and whom the Lord Himself by Hisservant Moses charged to lead the fighting men of Israel!"

At this Hur looked in some uneasiness at this woman for whom a late but ardent love had glowed up in him, and seeing her bosom heave and her cheeks flush red, he knew not wheth 'to ascribe it to the fatigue

call him Joshua.

To this Miriam answered that the like wise would be willing to do so if her husband agreed and he himself insisted on it, for a man's name was but as agarment. With offices and dignities it was another matter. When Joshua then declared that he had always believed that it was God Himself who had called him by the voice of His prophetess, herself, to be captain of the host of Israel, and that fie conceded to no man, anve only Moses, the right to deprive him of that office, Hur agreed with himself who had called him by the voice of His prophetess, herself, to be captain of the host of Israel, and that fie conceded to no man, anve only Moses, the right to deprive with himself bar had always believed that it was God Himself who had called him by the voice of His prophetess, herself, to be captain of the host of Israel, and that fie conceded to no man, aver only Moses, the right to d this woman for whom a late but ardent love had glowed up in him, and seeing her bosom heave and her cheeks flush red, he knew not wheth 'to ascribe it to the fatigue of climbing or the lofty ambition of her aspiring soul, which she had now transferred to the person of her husband.

He was, indeed, glad to think that she cared so much more for him than for the younger and more heroic man, whose return caused him some anxiety; still, he had grown gray in the stern fulfilment of duty.

It is you know, is my husband. And although Hur indeed has never learnt the arts of war, yet the Lord surely guides his arm; and who is it that giveth the victory but the Lord Almighty? My husband, I tell you once again—my husband alone is the captain, and though in his excess of generosity he forgets it, yet he will assert his right to his office when he remembers whose hand it was that chose him; and I, his wife, lift up my voice to bring it to his mind."

On this Joshua turned to go, to put an

belied the moderation of her tongue:

"After the guidance of the Lord had saved ous from the foe, the seacast up on shore the fairest woman we had seen for many a day. I bound up the wounds inflicted on her by a Hebrew woman, and she then confessed that she was full of love for you, and with her dying breath spake of you as the idel of her heart."

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of the camp, but their great leader had gone forward with Hur and Aaron, and climbed a peak of granite where they could look down upon the fight. Thus the fighting men could see Moses and his two companions on the cliff which commanded the top of the valley, and feel assured that the servant of the Lord would not cease to beseech Him to spare them and give them the victory. But every simple man in that host, and every woman and old man in the camp, in that hour of peril turned to the God of their fathers, and the rallying cry chosen by Joshua, "Jehovah, our Refuge," bound the hearts of the warriors to the ruler of the battle, and reminded the most faint-hearted and unskilled among the fighting-men that he could not take a step nor deal a blow, but the Lord would mark it.

The trumpets and cow-horns of the Hebrew host rang out louder and louder, for the Amalekites were pouring dewn on the level eround which was to be the field of

A cry of horror broke from Aaron's lips, and Hur started to his teet and gazed anxiously toward the north; for from the spot where the people's tents were pitched came a fresh battle cry, mingling with loud and lamentable shrieks, not, as it seemed, from the men alone, but from women and children. The enemy had surprised the camp. camp.

A troop of the Amnlekites had been detached from the main body and had made
their way around by a mountain defile
known only to themselves, and had fallen
upon Hur's camp with overwhelming impetuosity. Hebrews and Amalekites were
rolling on the blood-stained mats, while
Miriam and her women were bound hand
and feet and were being threatened with
death by fire.

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Joshua, with a detachment of men, rushed to the rescue, and Miriam awoke to consciousness to find Ephraim cutting the cords which bound her and to see herself surrounded by the brave, fighting men of her nation. Near her was Joshua, whose wounds were being dressed by his father. This task she felt should have been hers and hers alone; and deep griet and burning slamme came over her as ahe remembered how greatly she had aloned against this man. She knew not how she could repay him, on whom she had brought such deep sorrow, all she owed him. Her whole heart longed to hear some word of forgiveness from his lips, and she went toward him on her knees across the blood-stained ground; but the prophetess' cloqueut lips were dumb; she could not find the right word, till suddenly the imploring cry rose loud from her oppressed breast: "Joshua! O Joshua! I have sinned against you indeed, and will repent of it all my life long, but do not scorn my thanks. Do dot repel me from you, and, if you can, forgive me!"

She could not have uttered another word; but then—and this again she never forgot—his eyes had overflowed with scalding tears, and he had raised her from the ground with irresistible strength, and yet with a hand as gentle as a mother's when her child has had received the prophetess decould be readily controlled. It would be gratifying but not surprising if the simplified as a could be readily controlled. It would be gratifying but not surprising if the simplified as a could be readily controlled. It would be gratifying but not surprising if the simplified as a could be readily controlled. It would be gratifying but not surprising if the simplified as a could be readily controlled. It would be gratifying but not surprising if the simplified as a could be readily controlled. It would be gratifying but not surprising if the simplified as a could be readily controlled. It would be gratifying but not surprising if the simplified as a could be readily controlled. It would be gratifying but not surprising if the simplified

and he had raised her from the ground with irresistible strength, and yet with a hand as gentle as a mother's when her child has had a fall, and from his lips came mild and friendly words, promising full forgiveness. The mere pressure of his hand was enough to show her that he was no longer wroth with her, as she heard his absurance that the name of Joshua could not fall more sweetly on his ear from any lips than from hers.

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Then with the cry "Jehovab, our Refugel" he turned from her; but his clear shout, and the enthusiastic battle-cry of his followers rang in her ears long after.

In other parts of the field the battle still raged fiercely. The fight around the camp had already lasted above an hour, and Moses had not ceased to beseen the Lord, with hands uplifted to heaven, when the Amalekties made a great vush forward. At this the leader of his people collected all his strength for a new appeal to the Almighty; but he was much exhausted, his knees shook and his weary arms fell by his sides. But his spirit had all its fire and his heart all its fervent desire not to cease from entreating Him who is the Ruler of battles. The leader of his people must not be idle during the struggle, and his weapon was prayer. Like a child which will not cease from entreating Him who is the Ruler of battles. The leader of his people must not be idle during the struggle, and his weapon was prayer. Like a child which will not cease from beeceining its mother till she has granted him that which it unselfishly demands for its brethren, Moses importuned the Almighty, who had hitherto shown Himself to be a Father to him and the Hebrew folk, and saving them as by a miracle from the greatest perils.

But his frame was faint, so he called on his companions, and they pushed forward a block of stone on which he might ait, while he besieged the heart of the Lord with more and yet more prayers. There he sat; and when his weary flubs refused their service his soul still answered to his call, and went up as in a flame to the Ruler of the described his soul still answered to his call, and went up as in a flame to the Ruler of the described his soul still answered to his call, and went up as in a flame to the Ruler of the described his soul still answered to his call, and went up as in a flame to the Ruler of the described his soul still answered to his call, and went up as in a flame to the Ruler of the described hi

when his weary limbs refused their service his soul still answered to his call, and went up as in a flame to the Ruler of the destinies of man. But his arms grew more and more feeble, and dropped at lass as if weighed down by heavy masses of lead, although it had for years been his habit to raise them heavenwards when he cried fervently to God on high.

This his comrades knew, and they thought they had perceived that, as often as their great chief's hands sank, the sous of Amulek gained some new advantage. Then they diligently held up his arms, the one on the right hand and the other on the left; and although the mighty man could no longer ap-

right hand and the other on the left; and al-though the mighty man could no longer ap-peal to Heaven in intelligible words, and his giant's frame swayed to and fro, and more-than once he felt as though the stone on which he sat, the valley below him and the whole world were in movement, still his eyes and hands were raised on high. Not for an instant did he cease calling on the Most High till, on a sudden, from the same there cause up giad shouts of victory,

The feeling, new to her, that she was a woman even as other women are, gave to her whole person a gentleness which had hithefto been foreign to her, and this won her the love of her husband, whose full worth she had learnt during the bitter time when he had opened his heart to her.

The rest of Joshus's active life, and how he conquered a new home for his people, is a well-known tale.

The whole force of his body and soul he devoted to the Hebrew lotk; but his nephew Ephraim, as a powerful prince of his tribs, well worthy of the honor he achieved, founded a house in Israel. Through him old Nun saw great-grandchildren growing

old Nun saw great-grandchildren growing up who promised enduring posterity to his noble race.

And there, in the land of promise, many

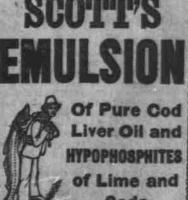
hundred years later, was another Joshua born who brought to all mankind the gifts which the son of Nun vainly sought for the children of Israel—love, mercy and re-

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be gratifying but not surprising if the sim-ple juice of the pineapple should become established as a specific for the cure of diph-theria. It would simply be confirmation of the theory that nature has a cure for every ill.

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He was, indeed, glad to think that she cared so much more for him than for the younger and more heroic man, whose return caused him some anxiety; still, he had grown gray in the stern fulfilment of dury, and what he thought it right to do no man could hinder his doing. To the wife of his youth, whom he had buried many years youth, whom he had buried many years and more heroic man, whose return caused him some anxiety; still, he had grown gray in the stern fulfilment of dury, and what he thought it right to do no man could hinder his doing. To the wife of his unpleasant discussion, but Hur, youth, whom he had buried many years since, his mercat sign had been a command, and though in his excess of generosity his deep and ruined, where all had been so fresh and blossoming.

God had scorned her most precious offering, it was impossible to doubt the fact. His presence no longer uplifted her soul in visions of glory, and she could hardly call herself His prophetess any longer. This sacrifice had led her, who was truthful, to falsehood; conscious of always desiring the ladder with missing the had as corned and pointed with had been so fresh and blossoming.

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should abide by his renunciation. The wind might blow away a woman's words of displeasure; it must rest with Moses to declare whom the Lord had chosen to be captain of His people.

As he spoke Hur looked in his wife's face with stera dignity, as warning her to reflect; and this seemed to have had the desired effect. Miriam turned first pale and then deep scarlet, and she, too, detained to everyone who loved her race and the then deep scarlet, and she, too, detained their guest as though she desired to make amends, beekoning him with a trembling hand to come closer to her.

"Yet one thing I must say," she began

her face with a ghostly stir. Everythi prompted her to retire to the tent, to go be to her husband; and with sudden decisi woman, and she then confessed that she was full of love for you, and with her dying breath spake of you as the idol of her heart."

At this Joshua, deeply incensed, exclaimed:

"If this were all the truth, O wife of Hur,

from one division to the next, from tribe to tribe, to the lepers that closed the train and the vanguard beyond. One and another elbowed his neighbor and whispered a name familiar to them all—that of the Holy Mountain where the Lord had promised to Moses that He would lead His people into a good and pleasant land, flowing with milk and honey. None had told the weary multitude that this was the place, and yet they knew that they beheld Horeb and the peak of Sinai, the most sacred summit of this mass of granite.

Although but a mountain, yet was it the throne of the Almighty God of their fatners!

At this hour the whole sacred hill seemed, like the burning bush out of which He had

THE COMBAT BETWEEN THE AMALERITES AND ISRAELITES.

the table is the lesser that elocated the train and another the vargenard beyond. One and the vargenard beyond. One and the vargenard beyond the vargenard could not swallow the solid food of which they had abundance. On every side there was nothing to be seen but heart-broken looks, and pitiable or disgraceful scenes. Men and women storming, cursing, weeping, and groaning, or else sunk in morose despair. Some, whose wailing infants clamored for water, had gathered round the choked wall and were fighting for a spot on the ground where they hoped to collect a few drops of the precious fluid in a sherd. And the beasts lowed and bleated so miserably that it cut their drivers to the heart like a reproach.

their head, had been the first to reach the spot, wielded their axes, and strove with levers hastily made out of the trunks of acaoia trees to clear away the huge boulders which strewed the path, and open up the way to the spring which leapt forth from several rifts in the rock.

At first it had flowed among a chaos of moss-grown blocks of granite; but presently they succeeded in directing the flow of the precious fluid, and in checking the water by forming a sort of tank, where even the cattle

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